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Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board Gila River Indian Community Regional Partnership Council

Meeting Minutes – April 17, 2014

Call to Order

Regular Meeting of the First Things First, **Gila River Indian Community Regional Partnership Council** held **Thursday, April 17, 2014**, at **4:30 p.m.** The meeting was held at **Blackwater Community School, 3652 East Blackwater School Road, Coolidge, Arizona 85128.**

Vice Chair Dale Enos called the meeting to order at approximately **4:50 p.m.** Introductions were held.

Members PRESENT

Dale Enos, Vice Chair
Priscilla Foote
Mary Tatum
Sandra Nasewytewa
Brooklyn Dee (teleconference)
Emily Warburton (teleconference)
Priscilla Antone (teleconference)
Kim Franklin (teleconference)

Members ABSENT

Melissa Madrid, Chair
Honorable Judge Kami Hart

Consent Agenda

Vice Chair Enos called for a motion to approve the **March 20, 2014 Meeting Minutes**. Member Foote moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Member Nasewytewa seconded. Motion carried.

Call to the Public

None

Community Outreach

Speaker's Training – TABLED

Community Outreach Plan Update – Director Brown reminded the Council that currently the region doesn't have a community outreach and awareness strategic plan to ensure the community is aware of First Things First and early childhood. Director Brown reviewed the community outreach and awareness plan and asked for Council feedback.

SFY2014 Funding Plan/Program Implementation Review

Strategy: Conference Scholarships – Director presented a scholarship request from Gila River Indian Community Tribal Social Services in the amount of \$2,390 to for 7 staff and foster parents to attend the 20th

Arizona Child Abuse Prevention Conference on July 16th thru July 18th, 2014. The conference will be held at Glendale Renaissance in Glendale, Arizona.

Motion: Vice Chair Enos called for a motion to approve the funding request from Tribal Social Services. Member Nasewytewa moved to approve the request as presented. Member Foote seconded. Motion carried.

Strategy: Quality First Child Care Scholarships – Director Brown reported the Blackwater Community School requested an additional \$100,000 (not to exceed) for a one month extension and funding for current 20 Quality First Scholarships through June 2014. Director Brown further explained the status of the funding available to fund the request.

Motion: Vice Chair Enos called for a motion to approve the funding request from Blackwater Community School. Member Nasewytewa moved to approve the funding request for a one month extension as presented. Member Tatum seconded. Motion carried.

Strategy: Community Outreach and Awareness Update – Director Brown reported there is a balance of \$700 which is not allocated in the budget. However, three articles have been publicized in the GRIN and therefore this balance will be used to pay for the publications.

Chairs/Council Member Updates and General Discussion

Children in Crisis - Director Brown provided an overview of the activities of the collaborative workgroup. She also reported she presented to the Education Standing Committee, and will also be presenting to the Health and Social Committee next month.

Board and Council Forum – Member Foote reported Chair Madrid attended the forum. She provided a brief overview of discussions held.

Regional Director's Report

GRIC and Pinal Cross-Regional Collaboration Update – Director Brown provided a brief overview of the collaborative efforts with Pinal Crossing. The next meeting will be held on June 19, 2014.

GRIC Home Visitation Programs and MICHVE Collaboration Update – Director Brown provided a brief overview of the collaborative efforts. The next meeting will be held April 28, 2014.

FTF Finance Committee Recommendation to the Board – Director Brown reviewed the FTF Finance Committee recommendations to the Board.

FTF Summit, August 18th and 19th – Director Brown reminded the Council of the Annual summit in August, and encouraged all to attend.

Council Member Recruitment Update – Director Brown reported interviews have been scheduled and all council seats should be filled by July 1, 2014.

Statewide Chair and Vice Chair Meeting, May 1, 2014 – Director Brown informed the Council this meeting agenda will be on the Finance Committee recommendations to the Board.

2014 Regional Council Meeting Schedule

Next Meeting: May 15, 2014 – Early Childhood Center

Adjournment

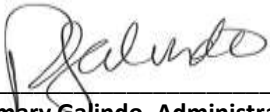
Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dated this 14th day of May 2014

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Gila River Indian Community Regional Partnership Council



Rosemary Galindo, Administrative Assistant



Cathy Thornton Brown, Regional Director

Dale Enos, Vice Chair